

Snapping Shoals EMC Illuminator

A Monthly Newsletter for Snapping Shoals EMC Members

October 2022

Operation Round Up Helps Our Community

By allowing their power bills to be rounded up to the next dollar amount each month, members who participate in Operation Round Up have helped thousands of people in our local communities. The Snapping Shoals Electric Trust Board oversees the use of Round Up funds. Below are the disbursements from the most recent meetings.



Individual assistance: \$8,775

Organizational Grant Recipients:

Camp Kudzu (metro) - \$5,000
 Henry County Food Pantry - \$10,000
 Lady T's Homeless Ministry (DeKalb) - \$10,000
 Repairers of the Breach (Newton) - \$5,000
 Rewed Up Kids (metro) - \$1,000
 Special Olympics Georgia (metro) - \$5,000
 Taylor Made Foundation (Newton) - \$2,000
 Hope for the Harvest (Newton) - \$4,000
 Newborn Methodist Church Food Pantry (Newton) - \$3,000
 Newton Community Food Pantry - \$4,000
 Covington First United Methodist Church Food Pantry - \$4,000
 Helping in His Name Ministries Food Pantry (Henry) - \$7,500
 Hands of Hope Medical Clinic (Henry) - \$7,500
 Rockdale County Emergency Relief Food Pantry - \$15,000
 Hosea Helps Food Pantry (DeKalb) - \$5,000

JUNE 2022

Individual assistance: \$7,500

Organizational Grant Recipients:

Angel Eyes Fitness and Nutrition (Newton) - \$2,000
 Community Arts Association in Newton County - \$5,000
 Georgia Lions Club Camp for the Blind (statewide) - \$5,000
 Hands of Hope (Henry) - \$5,000
 Henry for Music (Henry) - \$4,000
 Newton Co. Community Food Pantry (Newton) - \$6,000
 Project Linus (Henry) - \$1,000
 Southern Heartland Arts (Newton) - \$7,500
 United Food Force (Henry) - \$2,500

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Holiday Closings

The offices of Snapping Shoals EMC will be closed on the following dates for holidays:

- Thursday, November 24 and Friday, November 25 for Thanksgiving 4572212
- Friday, December 23 and Monday, December 26 for Christmas
- Monday, January 2 for New Year's

Report outages online at www.ssemc.com, with the mySSEMCC app or by calling 678-814-4961.

Winter Rates in Effect November 1

Beginning November 1, your electric energy use will be billed on our winter rates. Winter rates are effective from November through April, and summer rates are billed from May through October. The higher demand for electricity on hot summer days makes the cost of providing power greater during the summer, and that is reflected in our rate structure. 2731008

SSEMCC RESIDENTIAL ELECTRIC RATES

Summer (May through October)

Base Charge: \$28.00 per month
 First 1,000 kwh: 8.53¢ per kwh
 Over 1,000 kwh: 11.52¢ per kwh

Winter (November through April)

Base Charge: \$28.00 per month
 First 1,000 kwh: 8.20¢ per kwh
 Over 1,000 kwh: 7.95¢ per kwh



Home security from \$16.95 per month.



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Rooftop Solar

We Have Answers
for our Members



If you've thought about adding solar as a home energy source, you've likely had many questions. As your local electric cooperative, Snapping Shoals EMC has answers.

When considering a rooftop solar system, it's important to know the facts regarding efficiency and energy savings—and whether solar will meet your needs, goals and financial objectives.

Typically, homeowners who install solar do so out of concern for the environment, to save money or both. It's important to know how rooftop solar at your home will impact these goals. 4847325

If you are considering solar for any reason, it's important to contact our Member Services department at 770-385-2875 during the decision-making process. Snapping Shoals EMC is a trusted energy advisor and can answer questions about costs, possible savings and what kind of investment will best fit your electric needs. While each home is different in terms of how much energy solar will provide, there are a few key factors to consider.

Energy Consumption

A solar system's size is based on the home's energy needs. Before installing solar, make sure your home is as energy efficient as possible in terms of lighting, heating and cooling systems and insulation. An energy-efficient home will require a smaller solar system, which will save money and help reduce environmental impact.

Costs and Maintenance

The age and orientation of your roof will affect your costs. The best orientation for solar panels is facing south to receive direct sunlight; a shaded roof doesn't produce as much solar energy. Because it costs more to replace a roof on a home with solar panels, the age of your

roof also should be considered. Will your roof need to be replaced before solar panels need to be replaced? Just as a shingled roof doesn't last forever, neither does a solar panel system, which has an average lifespan of approximately 25 years. Also, as a solar system ages, it produces less energy and may require maintenance and repairs. 4016242

Your Access to Reliable Electricity

Solar panels only produce power when the sun is shining. To have power at your home at night or on cloudy days, you'll need to remain connected to a primary power source, such as Snapping Shoals EMC.

Signing a Solar Contract

Before you hire a solar contractor, contact our Member Services department at 770-385-2875 to learn about our solar offerings, rate structures and interconnection agreements. As with any major home-improvement project, get bids from three contractors to compare equipment and pricing when considering solar. We are always available to help in the process of obtaining the solar array that's right for you. Visit our website at www.ssemc.com to review helpful resources to assist you in evaluating solar options. 4626434

Cooperative Solar

If your main concern is reducing your environmental impact, SSEMC offers a Cooperative Solar program that allows you to purchase blocks of solar power generated by our solar installations. Our Cooperative Solar program makes the benefits of clean, green solar power more widely available to SSEMC members at an affordable price compared to purchasing your own solar system. You enjoy the benefits of solar without the responsibilities of ownership and maintenance. To learn more about Cooperative Solar, visit www.ssemc.com or call us at 770-385-2875.



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